

Florence, New Jersey 08518-2323
December 3, 2018

A regular meeting of the Florence Township Board of Adjustment was held on the above date at the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, NJ. Chairman Zekas called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by a salute to the flag.

Secretary Lutz then read the following statement: "I would like to announce that this meeting is being held in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Adequate notice has been provided to the official newspapers and posted in the main hall of the Municipal Complex."

Upon roll call the following members were found to be present:

Joseph Cartier	
Anthony Drangula	Larry Lutz
Anant Patel	Lou Sovak
B. Michael Zekas	Margo Mattis
Dennis Puccio	

Absent: Brett Buddenbaum

Also Present: Solicitor David Frank

Excused: Engineer Hugh Dougherty, Planner Barbara Fegley

RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution ZB-2018-11:** Approving application of Anjaneya Modugu for rear yard setback to construct a porch on the back of house on property located at 218 Leffler Circle, Florence. Block 165.04, Lot 51.

It was the Motion of Drangula, seconded by Lutz to approve Resolution ZB-2018-11.

Upon roll call, the Board voted as follows:

YEAS: Cartier, Drangula, Lutz, Mattis, Sovak, Zekas

NOES: None

ABSENT: Buddenbaum

MINUTES

It was the Motion of Lutz, seconded by Drangula to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 1, 2018. All ayes.

APPLICATIONS

None at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A. RFP's for 2019 Zoning Board Professional Staff

Chairman Zekas apologized that last year the professionals were selected late in the year. He forgot it was customary to have a discussion at the December meeting regarding the professionals and if any members felt it was warranted to talk about where the Board wanted to go with the professionals. He thinks the Board has had a good year with the current

professionals. From the planning perspective it was a slow year. Engineer Dougherty has been a good addition to the Board. Professionals will need to be appointed at the Reorganization Meeting. He asked if any of the Board members would like to have a discussion about any of the professionals.

Member Drangula asked if any other professionals ever submit proposals. Chairman Zekas said a solicitation is advertised and often there have been proposals from different professionals. He noted the proposals that were received were in the packet for review. The only proposals submitted were from the current professionals.

Solicitor Frank said right now the engineering and planning community is very busy. There are many projects going on. Companies that may have tried very hard in lean times to capture appointments are not right now because it is more lucrative to be in the private sector. They are focusing on getting and keeping private clients. He noted that in this county, at least, there is still a modicum of gentlemanliness. That is when professionals don't try to poach other professional's clients.

Solicitor Frank said if any Board member is not happy with something, they should express it and have a discussion in Closed Session. He said it is important that Board members express any concerns.

Chairman Zekas asked if any Board members felt the need for a Closed Session. No one requested going to Closed Session.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business needing to be discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion of Patel, seconded by Drangula to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Motion unanimously approved by all those present.

Larry Lutz, Secretary

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